MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Government have no objection to the admissibility of the motion.

PRESIDENT: Those who are for the motion being allowed will please rise in their seats.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): I wish to point out to the Chair that members need rise in their seats only if objection is taken to the motion before the House. But when no objection is taken, the Chair has got the discretion to allow the motion.

PRESIDENT: Since I would like to know the desire of the House without having to exercise my discretion, I would ask the members to rise in their seats to signify their assent to leave being given to the motion.

More than 20 members stood up in their seats and the motion was allowed, discussion to begin at 3-30 P. M.

PRESIDENT: Before I take up the next item in the agenda, I have to inform the House that it is proposed to adjourn the business of the House today at 12-45, *viz.*, 15 minutes before the usual hour, for the purpose of enabling the Muslim members of the House to perform their prayers of Friday which, as the House may know, is a sacred day for the community. It is their Sabbath day. It also happens that you have a Muslim President. But the time allowed will be the same 45 minutes. The House will rise at 12-45 and re-assemble at 1-30 P. M.

## DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS.

PRESIDENT: The next item in the Agenda is Demands for Supplementary Grants.

### MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, I move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 2,000 under Demand Medical. Sir, the object of this Demand is to provide pipe connection between the Science College and the General Hospital for the supply of gas to the Hospital. Gas is now being manufactured in the gas tank within the Fort and is being supplied to the Science College. The Darbar Physician brought to the notice of Government the desirability of supplying gas to the General Hospital also. Gas is required for various purposes. Each ward is now given a stove and it is used for heating purposes. Recently a clinical laboratory has also been started in the General Hospital. Those who are in any way familiar with the work that is done in laboratories will admit the necessity of having gas for heating purposes in a laboratory. No doubt you can in a way manage with stoves, but it is very unsatisfactory. If you can get gas, that is the very best for heating purposes in a laboratory. The Darbar Physician has brought this necessity to the notice of Government; and without any large outlay it is possible to supply gas to the hospital and the clinical laboratory. All that is necessary is to lay pipes from the Science College to the General Hospital and the esti-

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mate for that work is about Rs. 2,000. It is just for this purpose that I have come to the House with this Supplementary Demand for Rs. 2,000. I hope the Honourable members will be convinced of the necessity of supplying gas to the hospital and the laboratory and will pass my motion.

**PRESIDENT :** There are a number of token motions on the agenda which relate to the supplementary demands before the House. I considered the question very carefully and I have framed a ruling on that point and I shall read that to the House.

The motions in the Agenda, given notice of in respect of the Demands for Supplementary Grant, are motions for token cuts. A token cut, as distinct from an economy cut or specific cut, is intended to raise a debate on a policy of the Department to which the Demand relates. The necessity for such a cut arises for this reason. In the annual Budget Demands placed before the House, there are both votable items and non-votable items. If the House disapproves of the policy underlying a votable item, it can of course throw out the entire item. But policy relates to the votable and non-votable items, and as the House cannot deal with the non-votable items, it cannot effectuate its vote on a question of policy by throwing out any non-votable item concerned. Therefore it is the usual convention and practice in Parliamentary bodies to move what is called a "token cut" motion to raise a debate on policy. But such motions, *i. e.*, the token motions, can be permitted only if they are relevant to the main question, namely, the Demand for Grant. In the annual Budget Demands, as the entire subject is placed before the House and discussed, it is considered that the entire policy of the Department is before the House and therefore it is held that token motions are relevant motions in the annual Budget debates. But the same can scarcely be said when what is placed before the House is only a supplementary or additional estimate under Rule 77. Such an estimate is presented only when—

> "(a) the amount voted in the Budget of a grant for which the vote of the Legislature is necessary is found to be insufficient for the purpose of the current year or
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> "(b) a need arises during the current year for expenditure for which the vote of the Legislature is necessary upon some new service not contemplated in the Budget for that year."

Thus the estimate is presented and the Demand is made for some specific purpose. The necessity of that purpose and even the policy underlying that purpose or the policy that has a strict bearing on that purpose, if any, is no doubt open to discussion. But the Legislature cannot go beyond the four corners of that purpose and raise a debate on the general policy of the Department. That will be irrelevant, because the whole Department is not before it. And therefore there is no occasion for a token motion. If the Legislature disapproves of the policy underlying or necessarily related to the purpose for which the Demand is made, it can throw out the Demand. For, as the whole Demand is placed before it for its vote, it can reach the whole Demand



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[President.]

and it is not thus in the position of being unable (as in the case of the annual Budget Estimates) to reach any item in the estimates presented to it and therefore there is no occasion for a token motion when supplementary or additional estimates are presented. It is all a question of relevancy. In the annual Budget debates, the token motion is relevant; in the debates on supplementary estimates, it is not relevant. The rule is the same for both the annual Budget debate and the debate on supplementary or additional estimates, and that rule is the rule of relevancy.

It does not appear that token motions are allowed in the Indian Legislative Assembly when Demands for supplementary grants are moved and the Chair understands that, in Travancore too, it is not allowed, though there were exceptions.

The Chair has considered the whole matter and has decided to rule that token motions are irrelevant and inadmissible on Demands for supplementary grants, though, of course, the policy underlying or necessarily related to the purpose for which the Demand is made may be discussed on the main question, while supporting or opposing it.

Therefore the question before the House is whether the Demand of Rs. 2,000 for Medical Department should be granted or not.

**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Sir, I rise to oppose the motion before the House, *viz.*, the Demand for Rs. 2,000 for putting up a pipe connection from the Science College to the General Hospital, Trivandrum, for the supply of coal gas for heating purposes, for the reason that today in many parts of Travancore people, I mean, patients are actually suffering a lot in the hospitals and dispensaries. There are no medicines in these hospitals to treat the patients. At a time when the people are suffering and when the Medical Officers cannot treat the patients who attend the hospitals due to the absence of the supply of medicine to the dispensaries, Sir, here is a demand requesting this Legislature to grant Rs. 2,000 to supply coal gas for heating purposes—

**MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam*): May I know from the member—

**PRESIDENT**: Let him please complete his sentence. I have already warned Honourable members in my opening speech that interruptions should be as few as possible. Members should have a reasonable sympathy for the speaker. If he is interrupted, he may be out of his balance. Let him finish his sentence; and if you want any information you can have it afterwards.

**MR. E V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Pattanamtitta*): If he loses his balance will it not be more sympathetic if he is stopped before he proceeds further?

**PRESIDENT**: No, no. I want to hear the complete sentence.

**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): The supply of medicine is more important in the interest as well as the safety of the people than the supply of coal gas for heating purposes in the General Hospital.

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**PRESIDENT**: What is your question, Mr. Elenkath?

**MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*); May I know whether this amount of Rs. 2,000 will materially affect the supply of the medicine?

**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): It is said by the Government side that there are stoves in the General Hospital for the purpose of heating and the fund of Rs. 2,000 is an additional amount required for the purpose of heating. Certainly it will necessarily affect the source of medical supply.

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Does the member mean to say that the same amount will be utilised for distributing medicines to the various dispensaries and hospitals throughout the State?

**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): This is my request to Government. I want that this amount must be utilised for the supply of medicine in dispensaries and hospitals in the mofussil.

**MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): May I know from the member the name of the medicine for Rs. 2,000 that could be distributed to all the dispensaries and hospitals throughout the State?

**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Sir, my friend can get the proper name of the medicines from the Darbar Physician. Mofussil Doctors have already reported to the Darbar Physician about the shortage of medicine and the need for supply of medicine in those hospitals.

**MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Pattanamtitta*): Sir, before the member is allowed to proceed, I wish to get a definite ruling from the Chair in view of the observations made by the Chair in regard to the token cut. When a supplementary grant is asked for, is the member in order in criticising a particular policy of the Department as in the way in which it has been done now? If the member had shown that this particular amount could have been more usefully utilised for some other purpose, he would have been alright. But in the way in which he now proceeds, can he be allowed to proceed further?

**PRESIDENT**: That goes out of the field covered by the token motion. He should say that this Rs. 2,000 should either be sanctioned or not. He should try to show that Rs. 2,000 could better be utilised for improvements in the General Hospital. On this point the member has got a right to speak. But I allowed the speaker a little leniency because he is the author of a motion and I have ruled out the cut motion altogether. I wanted to be a little lenient to him, and I will be lenient to all Honourable members. But the only question that could be raised is that this Rs. 2,000 shall not be granted or that Rs. 2,000 required for coal gas for heating purposes is out of all proportion to the General Hospital. To that extent he will be quite in order. But to say that improvements should be made in a hospital at Quilon or another at Alleppey is ruled out completely. It is not relevant.

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MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): In this connection, I beg your permission, Sir, to bring to the notice of the authorities concerned the apathy or rather the indifference on the part of Medical Officers towards the patients who attend hospitals for treatment.

PRESIDENT: Is the member referring to the General Hospital?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Of course, to the General Hospital and the Women's Hospital.

PRESIDENT: Please confine yourself to the General Hospital alone.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Even with regard to the General Hospital, the Darbar Physician is not giving proper attention with regard to the complaints that are being raised from various parts of the State. It may be from the patients or their guardians. Sir, the attendance and the management in the General Hospital under the Darbar Physician and the Medical Officer who is in charge of that hospital in giving scanty attention to the patients is highly objectionable.

PRESIDENT: How can that attention be improved if Rs. 2,000 is not sanctioned?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): It could be utilised for the better control and for the better administration of the Medical Department.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): If this amount is given as an allowance to the officers, cannot the position be improved?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): A small body from the Legislature, I mean, members from among the elected members of the Legislature, could be formed as a committee to have some sort of inspection over the affairs of the General Hospital.

PRESIDENT: And the sum spent as T. A. and allowance. (*Laughter*).

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): I know some members may laugh. But those members who have been attending to the volume of questions that came from the non-official side during the time of interpellation this morning with regard to the undesirability of the administration on the part of the medical authorities in the State, Sir,—

PRESIDENT: The volume of questions came with regard to the Women's Hospital and not with regard to the General Hospital.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): The Darbar Physician being in sole charge of the administration of the General Hospital as well as the Medical Department, I alluded.—

PRESIDENT: I will allow the discussion on matters relating to the General Hospital but everything else is irrelevant.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Even with regard to the routine maintenance in the General Hospital, it is unnecessary. There are various Medical Officers quite useless for the purpose who could very well be sent out into the mofussil to be in charge of dispensaries and hospitals there.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Does the member think that the souls of the people in mofussil are inferior to those of the people in towns?

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**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Sir, I do not speak about the "souls" of any one—I mean of the people in Trivandrum City. Our lives are very cheap when compared to the lives of the people in towns. That could be seen from the money that is lavishly spent for the convenience and comforts of the people living in towns.

**PRESIDENT**: Let us come back to the discussion on the General Hospital.

**MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): In the face of the existence o unncessary staff in the General Hospital and the fact that there is a heating apparatus in the General Hospital, I oppose the motion.

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): Sir, I oppose the demand. The general public revenues of the State are intended to be utilised for certain specific purposes, purposes which ought to serve the public demand. For the maintenance and up-keep of the Medical Department, a large sum of money is being yearly set apart and the Medical Department in 1109 has come in for its legitimate share. My humble opinion is that no further grant should be made to the Medical Department for this reason, that we are not getting the full value of the money that has already been allotted. If any further amount is allotted to the Medical Department, it will be a further waste of public money. Hospitals are intended for giving redress to the people of the State, for giving medical aid to the people, and if those institutions do not function properly, or work to the satisfaction of the Government and the people, it becomes a pernicious institution and any further encouragement to one or other of such institutions is highly objectionable. It was once moved in this House that there is no necessity whatsoever for two Deputy Darbar Physicians.

**PRESIDENT**: It is out of order. We are not now considering the merits or demerits of the existence of two Deputy Darbar Physicians. We are now considering the implications underlying the Government asking for a grant of Rs. 2,000 for a specific purpose, for the supply of coal gas for heating purposes in the General Hospital.

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): I was pointing out how some funds could be saved for the Medical Department. The suggestion has not been accepted and acted upon by Government. If that was done, there would not have been any necessity for this supplementary grant.

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): May I know from the member whether, if this fund had been available, Government could have spent it without taking the sanction of the Assembly?

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): There is the appropriation statement. Government have got the power to appropriate available funds in cases of urgency.

**MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Could not the amount be spent and a statement laid on the table of the House when it next meets?

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**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): Yes, that could be done. I am saying that the Medical Department could have saved some amount and utilised it for this purpose. Government ought to have saved some funds and utilised it for this purpose.

The second reason is that, if the Medical Department does not give us the full benefit which it ought to, what is the necessity for spending further amount? It may be the General Hospital or it may be the Women and Children's Hospital or any other hospital.

If things are not properly managed and controlled, the introduction of coal gas in the General Hospital would be a dangerous thing.

**PRESIDENT**: The member need not have any fear about that.

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): That is what I apprehend. If things that are taking place elsewhere are to take place in the General Hospital, the introduction of coal gas is a dangerous element. I have sufficiently indicated the nature of my objection. I do not wish to dilate on that point any further.

It is no doubt necessary that one of the major medical institutions in the State should be well supplied with all the necessary instruments and accessories. That I can understand, provided Government would assure the House that the full benefit would be conferred on the general public by the utilisation of these funds. Then I would most willingly withdraw my opposition.

**MR. N. E. VARUGHESE** (*Tiruvalla I*) സർ, ഞാൻ ഈ ധനാഭ്യർത്ഥനയെ എതുക്കുന്നു. ഈ തുക ജനറൽ ആശുപത്രിക്കാവശ്യമുണ്ടെന്ന് ആദ്യമെതന്നെ ഈ സഭയെ ധരിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതായിരുന്നു. ബഡ്ജറ്റിൽ മെഡിക്കൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലേക്കു ഈ കൊല്ലത്തേക്കാവശ്യമുള്ള തുകകൾ ചേർത്തു അതിവിടെ ഹാജരാക്കുകയും സഭ അതംഗീകരിക്കയും ചെയ്തപ്പോൾ ഈ ആണ്ടത്തെ ആവശ്യംമുഴുവനും നിർവഹിക്കത്തക്കവണ്ണമുള്ള തുകകൾ അതിലുണ്ടായിരുന്നു എന്നാണു് വിചാരിക്കേണ്ടതു്. ഇപ്പോൾ ഒരു പ്രത്യേകകാരണം പറഞ്ഞു കൂടുതൽതുക വേണമെന്നാണു് ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നതു്. ഈതുക അനുവദിച്ചില്ലെങ്കിൽ ജനറൽ ആശുപത്രിതന്നെ മുടങ്ങിപോകുമെന്നോ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ രോഗികളെല്ലാം മരിച്ചുപോകുമെന്നോ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ രോഗശുശ്രൂഷണത്തിനു സാധിക്കാതെ വരുമെന്നോ കാണിച്ചാൽ പിന്നെയും ഇതനുവദിച്ചുകൊടുക്കാമായിരുന്നു. അങ്ങിനെയുള്ള ആവശ്യങ്ങളൊന്നുതന്നെ വന്നിട്ടില്ല. ഇപ്പോൾ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നതു ഒരു പെരും ലക്ഷ്വറി (luxury) ക്കായി മാത്രമാണു്. വരവു ധാരാളമുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ ഇതും അനുവദിച്ചുകൊടുക്കാമായിരുന്നു. ഈ തുക അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിനുമുമ്പായി ഈരാജ്യത്തെ ആകമാനമുള്ള പ്രജകളുടെസ്ഥിതി എന്താണു്? ഇവിടത്തെ ഖജനാവിലെ സ്ഥിതി എങ്ങിനെയാണു്

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എന്നൊക്കെ സഭ പെയ്യാലോചിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്. ൨,൦൦൦ രൂപാ എന്നുള്ളതു ഒരു അല്പസംഖ്യയാണെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു തോന്നിയേക്കുമായിരിക്കാം. എന്നാൽ പബ്ലിക്കിനു ഈടുകൊണ്ടു ഇതിനെക്കാൾ അത്യാവശ്യമായപലകാര്യങ്ങളും സാധിക്കാം. ജനറൽ ആശുപത്രിയിൽ കോൾ ഗ്യാസ് കൊണ്ടുതന്നെ വെള്ളം പുടിക്കണമെന്നുള്ള സംഗതി അത്രഅത്യാവശ്യവുമല്ല. ആ സ്ഥിതിക്കും ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ അധഃപതനത്തിൻെറ സ്ഥിതിക്കും ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള ധാരാളത്വം മാതൃകയായി ഗവൺമെൻറ് കാണിക്കുന്നതു് ഒരിക്കലും ബുദ്ധിപൂർവ്വമായിട്ടുള്ളതല്ല. ഇന്നിതനുവദിച്ചുകൊടുത്താൽ നാളെയും ഇതുപോലെയുള്ള ധനാഭ്യർത്ഥനകൾ ധാരാളമായി കൊണ്ടുവരും. അതും അനുവദിച്ചുകൊടുക്കേണ്ടതായി വന്നുകൂടും.

തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലെ ജനങ്ങൾ ആകമാനം ദാരിദ്ര്യത്തിൽ അകപ്പെട്ടു കഷ്ടപ്പെടുകയാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ടും ഈ തുക അനുവദിക്കരുതെന്നാണ് എൻറെ അഭിപ്രായം.

**MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon I*): Sir, I rise to oppose the Demand on a short ground. This is not an item that was provided for in the Budget or the amount provided for it has been insufficient. This is not a case in which the official member has come for a supplementary demand which was found insufficient on a demand that has been already granted by this House. Then the question to be considered is whether this demand that arises in the middle of the year is a demand that cannot wait till the next Budget. The supplementary demands can be allowed, Sir, strictly only under one or other of these heads namely, —

> "The amount voted in the Budget of a grant for which the vote of the Legislature is necessary is found to be insufficient for the purpose of the current year, or
> a need arises during the current year for expenditure for which the vote of the Legislature is necessary upon some new service not contemplated in the Budget for that year."

I do not think this is a matter that cannot afford to wait till the next Budget and to get the provision passed by this House then. I oppose it on the ground that this is not a demand which was provided in the Budget and for which, due to insufficiency of funds, the official member has now come for a supplementary grant.

**MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Vilavankod*): I oppose the demand for the wrong principle that underlies it. As my friend Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai said, this is not a demand that is contemplated under Rule 77 (*a*) and (*b*). That Rule lays down the circumstances under which such a demand can be brought by the Government. The Rule says:

> "(*a*) The amount voted in the Budget of a grant for which the vote of the Legislature is necessary is found to be insufficient for the purpose of the current year, or
> (*b*) A need arises during the current year for expenditure for which the vote of the Legislature is necessary upon some new service not contemplated in the Budget for that year."

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**MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): Am I to understand that the member is raising a point of order? It is seen he is referring to the Standing Orders.

**MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Vilavankod*): It is part of my argument, Sir.

Now, Sir, I read out Rule 77 (*a*) and (*b*). This particlar grant does not come under any of these clauses. It has been ruled by the Chair that the general policy of the Department cannot be discussed in a supplementary demand. It is the wrong principle that underlies such a demand that is brought to the notice of Government. That shows the Government have scant courtesy for the opinions expressed in this House. As my friend referred to in his speech, this is not a question that arose all on a sudden in the middle of the year. The rainy season is only approaching and the necessity for heating very quickly does not arise now. I cannot understand why, at the fag end of the financial year, when we have only a month for the Budget, the Head of the Department could develop such a desire for too much of heat. Therefore I oppose the demand.

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I shall answer the points raised by the last two speakers since they alone are relevant. The urgent necessity for gas arose only in the course of the year. As I said in my opening remarks, gas is required for heating purposes, but the necessity for it is more urgent for the clinical laboratory which has been started only very recently than for the hospital. When the budget for the current year was prepared, there was no clinical laboratory. A man was sent for training, but he returned only recently and the laboratory has just been started. The necessity for gas in the laboratory, I think, will be admitted by one and all in this House. It is very inconvenient to boil water over a stove, more so over an ordinary oven. I think it was Mr. Varughese who said that coal gas is a luxury. Then even stoves may be considered a luxury. In that case everything in these days may be a luxury. Mr, Varughese may perhaps go further and say, why not use in the wards and in the laboratory the ordinary oven that we use in our homes. Imagine for a moment how it would be a practical proposition in the General Hospital and in the laboratory. The urgent necessity for gas really arose in the course of the year, *i. e.*, long after the Budget for the current year was passed. As I said, the laboratory can ill afford to be without gas for various purposes. The Darbar Physician brought the matter to the notice of Government. They were convinced of the necessity and have therefore come to the House for a small grant of Rs. 2,000 for this important and urgent purpose. The other points relating to the general administration of the Medical Department, which were raised in the course of the discussion, do not call for any remarks.

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**MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha I*): Cannot this urgent necessity wait for two months to be included in the annual Budget?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The earlier gas is supplied to the laboratory the better. The Darbar Physician thought it necessary to move Government and Government thought it advisable to ask for this grant immediately. The necessity for gas is very urgent. If you do not allow the grant, the work in the laboratory will have to be carried on for two or three months on the present crude method.

**MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (*Shencotta*): May I know what is the immediate purpose of the coal gas?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is required for various purposes. I do not want to give a lecture on the subject. There is real necessity for gas in the laboratory. I hope the House will have no objection to the expenditure on this account.

**MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Pattanamtitta*): May I know whether, if this grant is withheld, the work in the laboratory will be considerably affected?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, the work will suffer seriously. The laboratory will not work satisfactorily at all. You must also remember that a man specially trained for this work is now here and has to be paid by Government whether he has work or not.

**MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Vilavankod*) As a matter of convenience, may I know whether Government cannot wait for a month or two more and include this item in the next year's Budget?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, it is a matter of necessity and not convenience.

**PRESIDENT**: The official member has already pointed out that a man was specially sent for being trained. Now he has come after training. He must be given special work for the salary that is paid to him. If this is going to wait for three months, it means the laboratory will have no work for that time, and the trained man will have to sit quiet and the money spent on him will be a waste. Then the only question is whether this Rs. 2,000 can be saved. Well, that is not going to be saved. I suppose the House has to consider whether this expenditure should wait even after the explanation given by the official member. If we are not going to lose anything, we can wait. But if something is going to be lost, it would be against the economic policy to wait and waste and agree to the waste of the time of the man concerned, functioning in the laboratory and so on and so forth. However, that is for the House to decide.

The motion before the House is whether Rs. 2,000 for the supply of coal gas be granted.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

**PRESIDENT**: The House will now adjourn and meet again at 1-30 P. M.

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The House adjourned for lunch at 12. 45 P. M. and met again at 1. 30 P. M., the Deputy President presiding.

## Administration of Justice.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to move that a supplementary grant of Rs. 614 for the continuance of the additional division of the B. L. class in the Law College be sanctioned. In explanation of the demand, I may add a few words. Ordinarily, there is only one division in the B. L. class. In the last academic year, it was found that, owing to the large number of admissions in the B. L. class—it was nearly 300—it should be split up into 2 divisions, as it was found impossible to manage one single class having about 300 students. The Principal therefore recommended that 2 divisions of the B. L. class may be started, and for the conduct of work in the 2 divisions 2 additional temporary Lecturers may be appointed, and that was sanctioned as a temporary urgent measure, as the proposal was brought in only after the Budget was passed. Now, it is felt that, in the next academic year, there will be a large influx of students in the B. L. class and the Principal recommends that 2 additional elective Lecturers may be appointed for the carrying on of the work of this additional division in the B. L. class. It is also proposed to appoint a temporary peon during this period. So, I am asking the House for the sanction of this amount.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): May I know from the member whether the Rs. 614 includes the pay of the two Lecturers and a peon?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Yes.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): May I know from the member the period for which the pay is intended? Is it intended for one full year or one academic year?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): It is intended for the period from the re-opening of the College till the end of this financial year.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Am I to take it that no pay will be given for the vacation?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) No pay for the vacation is asked for in this grant.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Is it ordinarily the case that these people are not paid during the vacation?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): These people were appointed temporarily.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): May I know from the member the exact period for which this amount is intended?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Yes, from the beginning of the next academic year till the end of this financial year.

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